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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 33 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-33-13

The Izhut Bay Section north of a line from Haystack Rock (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) to Pillar Cape (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.) will open until further notice at noon Wednesday, August 7.

As Previously Announced:

The Duck Bay Section of the Afognak District will open until further notice at noon Tuesday, August 6.

The Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area of the Northwest Kodiak District will close at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 7.

There will be a <u>48-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00** p.m. Wednesday, August 7 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, August 9 in the following areas:

- The Eastside Kodiak District;
- The Northeast Kodiak District:
- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the **Terror** and **Inner Uganik Bay** sections will remain closed); and
- The Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Southeast Afognak, Northeast Afognak, and Perenosa Bay sections of the Afognak District.

Cost recovery fisheries began in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) on August 2. Fishing opportunities in the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs.

The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District will <u>close</u> at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 7.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

In Saltery Cove, for subsistence fishing, at Saltery Creek (stream# 259-415), at the exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial salmon fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.